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1. IN CONNECTION WITH VIEWS REPORTEDLY EXPRESSED BY ILO CARIBBEAN REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE DR. ZIN HENRY IN GEORGETOWN (REFTEL), IT IS PERHAPS PERTINENT TO NOTE THAT HENRY IS A JAMAICAN CITIZEN. DR. HENRY, WHI IS RESIDENT IN PORT OF SPAIN, IS A STRONG ADMIRER OF MANLEY AND HAS OFTEN SEEMED TO US TO BE SOMEWHAT AN APOLOGIST FOR HIS FELLOW COUNTRY-MAN'S MORE RADICAL EXPERIMENTS ON JAMAICA. ON THE OTHER HAND, DR. HENRY IS ALSO ONE OF THE FEW SERIOUS INTELLECTUAL OBSERVERS OF THE CARIBBEAN LABOR SCENE WHO HAS BEEN ADDRESSING SOME OF THE SERIOUS ISSUES CONFRONTING LABOR MOVEMENTS IN THE REGION IN A THOUGHTFUL AND USUALLY MODERATE MANNER.

2. IN A FEW PUBLIC SPEECHES IN TRINIDAD, DR. HENRY
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HAS CONVEYED SOME OF THE SAME IDEAS AS THOSE REPORTED BY GEORGETOWN. HIS CURRENT LINE OF THINKING SEEMS TO BE THAT TRADITIONAL FREE ENTERPRISE TRADE UNIONISM IS NO LONGER APPROPRIATE FOR THE DEVELOPING ECONOMIES OF THE CARIBBEAN AND THAT UNIONS SHOULD REASSESS THEIR ROLE AS EXCLUSIVELY PARTISAN BARGAINING AGENTS FOR THEIR MEMBERS. IN TRINIDAD, HOWEVER, DR. HENRY HAS

NOT VENTURED TO COMMENT ON THE STICKY QUESTION OF THE
PROPER ROLE OF A TRADE UNION IN A SOCIALIST ECONOMY.
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